

Jonathan Bangs – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Jonathan Bangs was the son of Edward Bangs who was one of the original settlers of Nauset. He was born about 1640 one of at least ten children. Jonathan married Mary Mayo in 1664. He had at least ten children with Mary and following wives. Jonathan's brothers were John and Joshua. Both brothers married but left no descendants.

Jonathan was very active in Eastham affairs over many years. His town positions included deputy, constable, rate maker, selectman and ensign of the military company of Eastham. Jonathan did not receive any of the large land grants of 1711 and 1715 which suggests he left Eastham before that time. Jonathan died in Harwich in 1728 at age eighty-eight.

1680

This record makes reference to Jonathan Bangs and Thomas Clark purchasing land from the Indians for the Town at the Old Indian Field in Satucket. PDF A135.

Granted to Jonathan Bangs land at the Old Indian Field at Satucket. The land was on the east side of the Satucket River and next to the Old Indian Hedge. The land dimensions given were incomplete but suggest the grant was at least three acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes and stones. PDF A242, M261.

1683

Granted to Jonathan Bang about two acres of land on Little Tom's Island on the farther side of Patanumaquit. Bounds were indicated by stones. PDF A243, M241.

1685

Granted to Jonathan Bangs land due his father consisting of about ten acres of upland at the neck of land lying between Rock Harbor and Little Skaket. Bounds were indicated by stones and marked trees. PDF A182, M87, S5.

1695

Granted to Lieut. Jonathan Bangs about two acres of upland and six acres of meadow at Duck Creek at Billingsgate. The two acres of upland were on the southerly side of Stumpy Meadow. The six acres of meadow were north of the two acres of upland and next to land of Lieut. Joseph Rogers. Bounds of both grants were indicated by marked trees. PDF A254, A255, M255, M256.

The Eastham land owned by Jonathan Bangs and his heirs described in these records amounts to about twenty-three acres. By 1745 three more Bangs received Eastham land grants.